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Proposed Scope of Work

Combined Strategic Systems Net Threat Assessment

1. To examine historical and present evidence on the overall Soviet strategic weapon program in order to develop the likely trends of their strategic forces within the next few years. Particular emphasis will be placed upon interrelationships of various force elements as constrained by national resources and technology and influenced by the past, present and projected U.S. strategic forces.

2. To extend the projected Soviet strategic force trends deduced from the historical and present evidence to a period 5 to 10 years into the future. These trends will be based primarily upon the results of two areas of research that will be conducted: 1. The projection of Soviet technological advances based upon historical trends, present R&D capability, and the influence of U.S. technological advances. 2. The examination of the effectiveness the Soviets might attribute to planned or possible U.S. weapon systems during that time frame.

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